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Out-of-state speakers at the Friday, November 14, sessions of the Montana Tax School in Great Falls will be George D. Brabson, Findlay, Ohio, and Ralph M. Leeser, New York, N.Y., according to Director Lester R. Rusoff, associate professor of law at Montana State University. The school, sponsored by the MSU Law School, will open in Great Falls November 13 and close November 15.

Brabson will speak on "Depletion Allowances for Oil and Nonferrous Metals."

He is tax attorney and assistant treasurer of The Ohio Oil Co. and is a former special assistant attorney general in charge of tax cases in the U.S. Dept. of Justice. He has also been trial attorney for the chief counsel of the Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D.C. He is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and the Yale Law School and holds a master's degree in constitutional history from George Washington University.

Leeser's topic will be "Transfers of Life Insurance." He is consultant in the advanced underwriting division of the New York Life Insurance Co. The lawyer and chartered life underwriter is former editor of Prentice-Hall Insurance Guide and Insurance and Tax News. He earned a B.S. degree in business administration from New York University, an LL.B. degree from Brooklyn Law School, and a C.L.U. degree from the College of Chartered Life Underwriters.

Montana tax specialists on the November 14 program, and their topics, are James H. Janke, Billings certified public accountant, "Constructive Receipt and Payment"; Sherman V. Lohn, Missoula attorney, "Gifts to Charity"; Mason L. Bohrer, Missoula attorney, "Powers of Appointment," and Patrick J. Gilfeather,

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Great Falls attorney, "Joint Tenancies." Gilfeather's talk will be limited to tax aspects of joint tenancies from a practical office standpoint.

The Friday program will also include a panel on state tax policy. Participants will be Tom P. Patterson, first vice president and counsel, Western Life Insurance Co., Helena, who will present "Problems of the Corporate Taxpayer"; J.F. Reid, chairman of the State Board of Equalization, Helena, who will discuss "Direction of State Tax Policy," and George T. Bennett, attorney, State Board of Equalization, Helena, who will deal with "Procedural Problems and Irritations of the Board."

Information on registration for the school can be obtained from the MSU Law School or from banks throughout the state.

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